The spare parts of these vehicles are imported at an import duty ranging from concessional rate of 5% to peak rate of 30%.

Currently the national average of sales tax is around 12% *ad valorem*.

Formation of Joint Working Group

1287. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:
SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:
SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Joint Working Group is to be formed by Government for regular interaction to remove impediments to industrial growth;

(b) if so, whether Government are also considering grant of price preference to domestic industry in accordance with the provisions of the World Trade Organisation;

(c) whether any steps in this regard have been taken; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABH BHAI RAMJI BHAI KATHIRIA): (a) The Department of Heavy Industry have already constituted an Inter-Ministerial Committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Heavy Industry) for identifying impediments faced by the Capital goods Industry in India and to find solutions.

(b) to (d) The domestic industry already enjoys price preference in respect of projects financed by the International Agencies like World Bank guidelines and is compatible with WTO regime.

Performance of PSUs in Gujarat

1288. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the performance of PSUs located in the State of Gujarat during the last three years; and

(b) the steps being taken by Government to improve the performance?